



Welcome to the Light

Refugee Fundraiser a Success!

Thank you to all who contributed to Sunday, June 3rd's refugee sponsorship fundraiser. It was an overwhelming success! We had been hoping to raise \$4,000. Between gifts and pledges, we raised over \$8,000! This generous outpouring of support will allow us to fully fund our commitment to Lutheran Social Service of MN as we seek to support Hart Lewl and Moo Say and their children as they transition to life in our community. This generosity will also provide reserve funds in case other needs arise for this family. All of these gifts will be used to support refugee resettlement—either for this family or another. Thank you, Christ Church Lutheran!

Sunday's event could not have happened without the generous volunteer commitment of many, many people. Thanks especially to Victoria and Nate Perbix, who planned and prepared the wonderful BBQ lunch that we served to nearly 75 people! Thanks also to the fine crew that spent all morning setting up, serving, and cleaning: Rita and Ken Schoenike, Ina Ziegler, Rachel Slater, Luann and Gary Skrivseth, Dave Kutzbach, Susan Stugelmeyer, Morrie Wee, and Daniel Holmgren. Thanks as well to Ken Schoenike and Marcus Nooney for brewing our beer, and to Marcus, Max Herzberg, and Noah Niermann for tending the drinks table.

We are also grateful to all who contributed items for the Silent Auction: Rita Schoenike, Marilu Peters, Phyllis Dunstone, Pastor Carlson, Pastor Farlee, Chuck Merrell, Martin Thompson and Brad Hubert. Thanks also to Martin Thompson and Brad Hubert for overseeing the Silent Auction. This was a new thing for us, but it was fun and went well! Thanks also to DeAne Lager-

quist for preparing the wonderful visual presentation on Lutheran participation in refugee resettlement through the generations, and to Rachel Slater and Morrie Wee for sharing reflections on the work (past and present) of the Refugee Resettlement Team.

Finally, thank you to our current refugee sponsorship team: Morrie Wee, Ron Johnson, Brad Hubert, and Martin Thompson. Our whole community is grateful to you for getting to know Hart Lewl, Moo Say, and their children, and for offering welcome, kindness, and support on behalf of us all. May we all be blessed by this opportunity to extend and receive welcome—the welcome

Fundraiser – Inside the Tower Tour

As part of the successful fundraiser to support our refugee resettlement efforts, Chuck Merrell led a group of members to the top of Christ Church Lutheran's tower, providing unique perspectives of the church and our community. The tower rises 88 feet, with the aluminum cross scaling another 32 feet. It was also an opportunity to see the sanctuary and lower courtyard roofs before repairs begin later this summer. *(Photos below)*



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A Reconciling in Christ Congregation

A National Historic Landmark



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Office Hours

Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

Sunday Worship

Eucharist 9:30 a.m., followed by fellowship

Staff

Pastors	Pastor Kristine Carlson Pastor Erik Haaland
Cantors	Pastor Robert Farlee Pastor Martin Seltz
Facilities	Chuck Merrell
Courier Team	Hilary Gebauer Marc Katz Pastor Kristine Carlson

Congregation Council

President	Matthew Courtney
Vice President	Dan Mueller
Secretary	Kate Haugen
Treasurer	Melody Pauling
Council Members	Hilary Gebauer Max Herzberg DeAne Lagerquist Marcus Nooney Rachel Slater

July Birthdays

- 7/1 Muriel Heller
Alvin Weber
Jason Weber
- 7/2 Margaret Doll
- 7/3 Eli Nooney
Zander Nooney
- 7/7 Mary Bode
- 7/8 Adam Schmidt
- 7/9 Calvin Jenkins-Buegel
Dick Strom
Janice Wahlstrom
- 7/11 Chuck Merrell
Nate Williams
- 7/13 Kelly Brandon
- 7/16 Ute Swenson
- 7/17 Mark Jensen
- 7/19 Donna Gawreluk
- 7/23 Marilyn Johnston
Marcus Nooney
- 7/24 Todd Schoenike
- 7/25 Molly Boes Ganza
David Doll
Donna Lindberg
- 7/29 Chloe Rice
Augustus Byers
- 7/30 Leah Skrivseth

Helping Hands for July

- Pat Baehler
Dori Brandon
Lucille Buelow
Ann & Bob Davis
Max Herzberg
Cheryl & Harvey Leuning
Phyllis Mattill
April McMillian & Lynn Tollefson
Bev Meakins & George Greenfield
Bethany Mueller & Stamatis Zeris
Victoria & Nate Perbix
Kim & Chip Young
Matthew and Pamela Krueger

All church members are part of Helping Hands. You may be asked to help with Sunday Coffee and hospitality related events as needs arise. Mary Bode, coordinator.

Weaving Group Completes a New Stole

The Christ Church Lutheran Weaving Group has completed another project! Last fall Kevin Olsen, Rita Schoenike, Birgitte Christianson and Kate Hauge hand painted yarn with dye, let it dry and then washed and dried it. This was used as the warp for the stole with a pine green shade used for the weft. Kevin and Kate put the yarn onto the loom, a twill pattern was chosen, and Kate completed the weaving over the past 6 months. Prior to this project, the weaving group completed the advent weaving and paraments for the altar.



Happy weaver, Kate Haugen, cuts the new stole off the loom.

Lectionary Readings for July

July 1

Lamentations 3:22-33
 Psalm 30
 2 Corinthians 8:7-15
 Mark 5:21-43

July 8

Ezekiel 2:1-5
 Psalm 123
 2 Corinthians 12:2-10
 Mark 6:1-13

July 15

Amos 7:7-15
 Psalm 85:8-13
 Ephesians 1:3-14
 Mark 6:14-29

July 22

Jeremiah 23:1-6
 Psalm 23
 Ephesians 2:11-22
 Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

July 29

2 Kings 4:42-44
 Psalm 145:10-18
 Ephesians 3:14-21
 John 6:1-2

Pastoral Acts

6/1 – Pr. Carlson presided at the wedding of Dipo Phillips and Alyssa Michael

6/12 – Pr. Carlson presided at the burial of Myrna Swanson, mother of Robert, at Fort Snelling National Cemetery

From the Church Council

Update for July

Rachel opened the June 19 meeting by reflecting on our abilities to impact the world through small acts of kindness and faith. She shared her mother's wisdom to tend one's own garden and to focus on what each of us can do in our own life. She read a passage from Cynthia Bourgeault's, *The Wisdom Way of Knowing* that evoked the miraculous transformation of an acorn into an oak tree, which only occurs after the acorn's hard outer shell is fractured open.

Our business focused on the Council's recommendation to the congregation to restructure the administrative staffing. We discussed the resignation Stephanie Okoneski, the church's long-time Office Secretary. As a sign of gratitude for over 20 years of service to the congregation, we voted to provide her with a supplemental, bonus payment. We prepared for the following Sunday's congregation meeting. We received regular reports and ended with the Lord's Prayer.

At the June 24 Special Congregation Meeting, the congregation voted unanimously to approve both recommendations of the Council: 1) to restructure the administrative staff and 2) to increase the maximum contract to restore the sanctuary roof. Forty members attended. With these decisions made, the Council's Executive Committee will work to finalize the job descriptions for the Office Administrator and Children's Ministry Director, and the positions will be advertised as soon as possible. For the roof, the Project Management Task Force will seek to finalize the restoration contract, which will be approved by the Council. We will share updates on these important items as information becomes available.

Treasurer's Report

Our finances are moving along fairly well, but we are lagging behind what we had budgeted for Member Giving by about \$5,000 so far this year. After adjusting for early giving and transfers pending, we have a small overall deficit of just over \$1,228. Not a problem at this point!

Christ Church Lutheran Finances			
(As of May 31, 2018)	ACTUAL	BUDGET (5 mos.)	DIFFERENCE
<i>Member Giving/Envelopes</i>	142,878.47	140,280.00	2,598.47
<i>Other Income</i>	\$34,100.62	\$41,290.84	(\$7,190.22)
<i>Total Income</i>	176,979.09	181,570.84	-4,591.75
<i>Total Expenses</i>	\$161,512.49	\$166,707.49	(\$5,195.00)
<i>Adj: Early Giving, Trnsfrs Pend</i>	(\$3,447.00)		
<i>Total Surplus (or Deficit)</i>	\$12,019.60		

Courier Closeup – Nick Goddard

This month *Closeup* features Nick Goddard who has been a member of Christ Church Lutheran for a year and a half and has attended for two plus years.

When did you start attending Christ Church Lutheran and what brought you here?

I came to Christ Church Lutheran in early 2016 after reading a very complimentary article in the Minneapolis paper. It was a compelling description of the building, liturgy, rich music tradition and friendly people. I came to my first worship service the following week and got hooked. This was early in Lent and I came to several Wednesday services and enjoyed the fellowship with the soup suppers.

Do you live in the neighborhood?

I live a little west of here at Oakland and Minnehaha Parkway.

What about our church keeps you coming back?

Music, preaching, liturgy, worship service and so many very friendly and dedicated servants of Christ.

Do you have any stories to tell about your time here or about events or activities you have been involved in?

I have been involved in preparing and serving shelter meals with Pastor Haaland, driving with the Meals On Wheels Volunteers in that ministry and being involved in BASIC (formerly “retirees”) programs and luncheons. Before I became a member both Pastor Haaland and Pastor Carlson took time to meet me for coffee. That was special for me.

How does Christ Church Lutheran help you live and share your faith?

This faith community has given me a boost in my own faith journey and taught me about the traditions, beliefs and history of the Lutheran Church. It was wonderfully enlightening and restored my faith. The sermons have been wonderful and I am buoyed each week by the sermon on the steps.

What do you do when you’re not in church?

I am retired but seem to stay busy. I walk, garden and play the piano. I am blessed to have family here and spend as much time as I can with them, especially my three granddaughters. They are all involved in competitive dance and the two older ones are both on their high school soccer team. That affords me many opportunities as a spectator. My wife Kathy and I share our home with two sons. Kathy continues to work as an attorney.

What can you tell us about yourself that we may not have known?

I was born in Canada and had been a lifelong Episcopalian. I am the son of an Episcopal priest and I have been moving south for much of my early

life. Being a preacher’s kid, I have enjoyed Pastor Carlson’s anecdotes of experiences with her father.

“Closeup” is a Courier feature to help us get better acquainted with our fellow members. If you would like to share your story in “Closeup,” call Donna Lindberg at 651/552-8499.



Bon Voyage: Headed for Holden Village

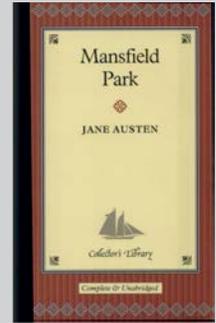
Blessings for safe travel to those traveling to Holden Village! “No roads lead to Holden Village,” says the Holden Village website. Our intrepid travelers will travel by train, plane, boat and bus to get there. The Christ Church Lutheran group will leave on 6/28 and return 7/9. God speed and we eagerly await your stories when you return!



July Book Discussion: Mansfield Park by Jane Austen

All are welcome to a summer book discussion on Saturday, July 14 from 10:00-11:30 a.m. in the (air-conditioned) Luther Lounge.

We will be discussing *Mansfield Park*, which is the third published novel by Jane Austen, first published in 1814. Wikipedia offers this commentary: “The novel tells the story of Fanny Price, starting when her overburdened, impoverished family sends her at age ten to live in the household of her wealthy aunt and uncle. [...] From the late 20th century onward, critical reception has been diverse and *Mansfield Park* is now considered Austen’s most controversial novel. Questions addressed in the critical reviews include the following. Is the heroine Fanny Price appalling or appealing? Was Austen a traditionalist or a feminist? Is *Mansfield Park* simplistic or ironic? Did Austen support or oppose the slave trade? Does *Mansfield Park* portray city immorality as more attractive than country morality? How did Austen understand the church of her day?” For additional context, Siri Caltvedt recommends the chapter on *Mansfield Park* in “Jane Austen, the Secret Radical” by Helena Kelly. The author explains the historical background and reveals the “code” in which Austen is writing.



*Come for a morning of engaging questions and conversation!
Coffee and treats will be provided.*

The mini-Little COURIER

*Jesus said, “Let the children come!”
At Christ Church Lutheran, we welcome
children and their families to the font, to
the table, and to worship.*

Children’s Ministry at Christ Church Lutheran—July 2018



July 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Sunday 9:30am Eucharist • Coffee fellowship	2 Church Office Closed	3 Church Office Closed; 7pm Preservation Property	4 Building Closed	5 Church Office Closed	6 Church Office Closed	7
8 Sunday 9:30am Eucharist • Coffee fellowship • 11:00am Building Tour	9 Church Office Opens	10	11 1:00pm Staff	12 Safe House Meal; 5:30pm Executive Board; 7:00pm Project Mngmnt	13	14 10:00am Book Discussion
15 Sunday 9:30am Eucharist • Coffee fellowship • Courier deadline	16	17 7:00 pm Council	18 6:00 pm Shelter Meal Cooking	19	20 Shelter Meal	21
22 Sunday 9:30am Eucharist • Coffee fellowship	23	24	25 11:00 am BASIC	26	27	28
29 Sunday 9:30am Eucharist	30	31 7:00 pm FCCL Board				